

Table 4
HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1995-2004
 By Age of Victim
 Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

Age of victim	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Percent change	
											1995- 2004	2003- 2004
Total												
Number of victims.....	3,530	2,910	2,579	2,170	2,006	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	-32.2	-0.3
Percent of victims.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Population.....	32,063,000	32,383,000	32,957,000	33,494,000	34,036,000	34,480,000	34,758,000	35,301,000	35,934,000	36,590,814	14.1	1.8
Percent of population....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
Rate.....	11.0	9.0	7.8	6.5	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5	-40.9	-3.0
Under 18												
Number of victims.....	519	421	361	306	276	246	252	247	240	269	-48.2	12.1
Percent of total victims..	14.7%	14.5%	14.0%	14.1%	13.8%	11.9%	11.4%	10.3%	10.0%	11.2%		
Population.....	9,191,662	9,456,115	9,701,218	9,426,168	9,587,332	9,770,687	9,932,913	10,095,903	10,248,237	9,575,520	4.2	-6.6
Percent of population...	27.7%	27.9%	28.3%	28.1%	28.1%	28.2%	28.2%	28.2%	28.2%	26.3%		
Rate.....	5.6	4.5	3.7	3.2	2.9	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.8	-50.0	21.7
18-29												
Number of victims.....	1,510	1,183	1,068	933	840	888	992	1,098	1,100	1,110	-26.5	0.9
Percent of total victims..	42.8%	40.7%	41.4%	43.0%	41.9%	42.8%	45.1%	45.9%	45.8%	46.4%		
Population.....	5,854,943	5,770,311	5,537,727	5,474,990	5,511,604	5,523,472	5,555,926	6,123,037	5,740,606	6,160,386	5.2	7.3
Percent of population...	17.6%	17.0%	16.1%	16.3%	16.2%	15.9%	15.8%	17.1%	15.8%	16.9%		
Rate.....	25.8	20.5	19.3	17.0	15.2	16.1	17.9	17.9	19.2	18.0	-30.2	-6.3
30-39												
Number of victims.....	737	630	534	428	364	377	426	449	486	446	-39.5	-8.2
Percent of total victims..	20.9%	21.6%	20.7%	19.7%	18.1%	18.2%	19.4%	18.8%	20.2%	18.6%		
Population.....	5,942,572	5,968,805	5,942,241	5,654,098	5,629,424	5,597,411	5,535,620	4,994,720	5,384,170	5,534,220	-6.9	2.8
Percent of population...	17.9%	17.6%	17.3%	16.9%	16.5%	16.2%	15.7%	14.0%	14.8%	15.2%		
Rate.....	12.4	10.6	9.0	7.6	6.5	6.7	7.7	9.0	9.0	8.1	-34.7	-10.0
40 and over												
Number of victims.....	719	636	580	480	505	534	519	579	560	569	-20.9	1.6
Percent of total victims..	20.4%	21.9%	22.5%	22.1%	25.2%	25.7%	23.6%	24.2%	23.3%	23.8%		
Population.....	12,199,753	12,668,408	13,114,015	12,951,150	13,344,118	13,761,825	14,208,876	14,588,578	14,990,489	15,106,285	23.8	0.8
Percent of population...	36.8%	37.4%	38.2%	38.7%	39.2%	39.7%	40.3%	40.7%	41.2%	41.5%		
Rate.....	5.9	5.0	4.4	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.8	-35.6	2.7
Unknown												
Number of victims.....	45	40	36	23	21	29	12	19	16	0	-	-
Percent of total victims..	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	1.1%	1.0%	1.4%	0.5%	0.8%	0.7%	0.0%		
Population.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percent of population...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.

Rates are calculated using the population for each subgroup shown; therefore, they will not add to the rate calculated for the total population.

Population breakdowns by age will not add to total because of variations in population source data.

Dash indicates that the percent of population and rate for the "unknown" category cannot be calculated because there are no unknown age population data.

The "percent of population" category for age group was calculated using the sum of the age populations.